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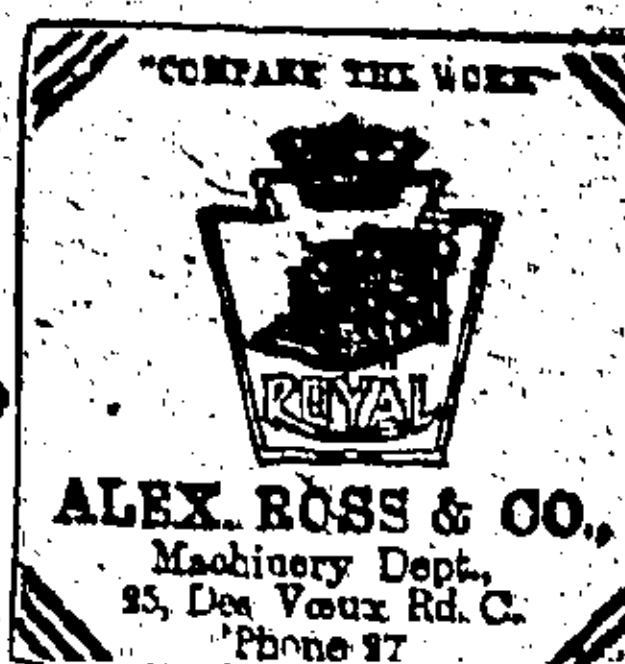
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THE ROME-TOKYO FLIGHT

AEROPLANE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Rome, January 31.
Lieutenants Abba and Garrone, whose "Caproni" aeroplane for the
Rome to Tokyo flight was destroyed by fire after landing at Salonika, have
been ordered to return to Rome.

G.H.Q. ABOLISHED.

THE GREATNESS OF HAIG.

London, Feb. 2.
In an Army order recording the abolition of general Headquarters in
Great Britain, the Army Council expresses the highest appreciation of
the services Lord Haig rendered to the empire. Never in the history
of the British empire has one officer been charged with so momen-
tous a responsibility and no other British commander
excepting Wellington ever brought to a victorious conclusion a campaign
on the issue whereof hung the very existence of the state. The order
emphasises that Lord Haig remains on the active list and expresses the
hope that he may have a further long and successful career of public
usefulness.

TRAINING TIMES

A good sized crowd watched the gallops at Happy Valley this morning,
some good performances being put up. The clockings are given below:

Malcolm.—36.3/5; 1.11.1/5; 1.43.
Gentle Cat.—34; 1.11; 1.46; 2.17.3/5.
Allied King.—35; 1.05.4/5.
Pile Driver.—41.2/5; 1.19.2/5; 1.57.1/5; 2.30; 3.00.
Charles.—35; 1.08; 1.40.
Ludlow.—34; 1.08.3/5; 1.41.3/5.
Geordie Mac.—41; 1.17.3/5; 1.53; 2.25.
Cigar Box and Scotch Box.—35; 1.10.1/5; 1.46; 2.19.
Colinton.—34; 1.09; 1.44; 2.15.2/5.
Black Prince.—36; 1.11.3/5; 1.45.3/5.
Alaska Chief.—35.3/5; 1.10.2/5; 1.43.1/5.
Red Robe.—40; 1.19; 1.53.2/5; 2.24.
Moonshine.—38; 1.14; 1.49.2/5; 2.23.2/5.
Rysa.—37; 1.15; 1.50; 2.24.
Cannon and Kipper.—35; 1.09.1/5; 1.43.
Plain John.—34; 1.09; 1.43; 2.14.
Algerian Chief.—38; 1.13; 1.44.2/5.
Mighty King.—33; 1.03.
Dunford.—40; 1.17; 1.52; 2.24.
Lovejoy.—38; 1.13; 1.51; 2.26; 3.00.
Attraction Dahlia.—36; 1.09; 1.46; 2.20.2/5; 2.53.2/5.
Target and Sandmartin.—35; 1.11; 1.46; 2.17.3/5.
Runaway Light.—33; 1.10; 1.45.2/5; 2.18.1/5.
Corney.—37; 1.14; 1.47.3/5.
Sandy.—33; 1.04.
Trelawney.—36.2/5; 1.13; 1.50.2/5; 2.25.
Cadzow's Glen and Cadzow's Tern.—35.2/5; 1.09; 1.43. (Cad-
zow's Tern. 1.44.2/5).
Sunspot.—36; 1.12; 1.45; 2.16.2/5.
Nursford.—40.3/5; 1.19.2/5; 1.56.1/5; 2.32.
Eclipse Dahlia.—35.1/5; 1.11; 1.45.1/5; 2.18.1/5.
Spuffbox and Hawkes.—37; 1.13.2/5; 1.48.2/5.
Slam and Hightide.—36; 1.12; 1.48; 2.19.
Clansman.—38; 1.17; 1.52.3/5; 2.25.2/5.
Scotia Dahlia.—36; 1.12; 1.47; 2.22.
Brutus.—39; 1.12.2/5; 1.45.
Primrose Dahlia.—35.4/5; 1.11; 1.43.
Orion.—35.3/5; 1.10; 1.43.2/5.
Consternation.—40; 1.18; 1.55.3/5; 2.30.
Weemouse.—34; 1.07.3/5; 1.40.4/5.
Boyford.—36; 1.13.3/5; 1.48; 2.21.2/5.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Following are extracts from Im-
ports—Prices Current reports sub-
mitted to the H.K. Chamber of Com-
merce—

Cotton Piece Goods. Our market
is practically unchanged. Whenever
spot cargo is available it is snapped
up at once. Quotations from Man-
chester show considerable advances
and deliveries are more protracted.
Cotton is quoted 29.9L.

Cotton Yarn.—Moderate transac-
tions took place for early require-
ments and notwithstanding the heavy
rise in Exchange, values of the lower
counts show slight improvements.
Business in 20s has been slack and
values of same ruled on the easy side.
Quotations are:—No. 10s at \$220/
255. No. 12s at \$235/275. No. 18s
at \$285/330. No. 20s at \$320/355.
Arrivals 9,000 bales. Sales 4,000
bales. Shipments nil. Unsold Stock
5,000 bales. Bargains 18,000 bales.
Woolens.—Market firm, good
market for Lastings, Long Ellis,
Camlets, etc.

In Coatings, Fine Woolens and
similar goods, the dealers have de-
layed purchasing so long that delivery
is now impossible. Stocks are being
eagerly snapped up, and a shortage
seems likely for next cold season.

Raw Cottons. Values are steady
and are nominal at \$45/56 for Indian
and \$47/60 for Chinese descriptions.
Metals. Very small business pay-
ing prices higher and with long
deliveries for new business now
required it is difficult to negotiate
fresh transactions.

Small lines of Wire Nails have
been done.

FLOUR MARKET REPORT.

Stock:—About 250,000 sacks.
Quotations: American Patent \$3.70
per sack, American Cut off \$3.38 per
sack, American Straight \$3.36 per
sack, Japanese 2nd Patent (old stock)
Japanese 3rd Patent Japanese Straight
Shanghai Flour 2nd \$4.50 per sack,
Shanghai Flour 3rd Australian No. 2
\$3.36 per sack, Australian No. 2
\$3.20 per sack, Australian No. 3.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

SERGEANTS' MESS MEETING.

At a meeting of the members of
the late Sergeants' Mess, Hongkong
Defence Corps, held last evening,
the balance on hand was voted as
follows:—

Electro-Therapeutic Ward, Scottish
National Hospital, Bellahouston,
Glasgow. \$150. Dr. Barnardo's
Homes. \$300. Hongkong Ladies'
Benevolent Society \$150, and any
further balance which may remain
after accounts are adjusted.

It is proposed that the members
of the late Sergeants' Mess should
hold a Subscription Smoking Concert
in the Drill Hall, Volunteer Head-
quarters, on Saturday, on March 6.
All members who wish to subscribe
are requested to send their names,
and those of their guests, to Staff
Sergeant G. W. Avenell, Volunteer
Headquarters, who has been appointed
Secretary to the Committee.

BILLIARDS.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY 1920.

The following are the draws for
the above.

W. Hall v. Wong Po Keung, byes.

on 1st March.

W. J. Langford v. J. Parkes, 23rd

February.

E. Guimaraes v. P. A. Yvanovich,

24th February.

S. Gray v. A. C. Rozario, 25th

February.

A. G. Pile v. L. T. B. Golding,

26th February.

Ng Sze Kwong v. S. K. Kwok,

27th February.

W. E. Croker byes.

Bouzoine Balls will be used, and
the games will be:

Preliminaries: 500 up (start 8.30

p.m.)

Semi-Finals: 750 up (start 8 p.m.)

Final: 1000 up (start 6 p.m.)

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE FINANCIAL OUTLOOK.

London, February 4th.
At the Finance Conference during the
discussions, which were of an exploratory
character, attempts at the solution of the
exchange crisis by legislation were depre-
cated, and the possibilities of controlling
imports by licences were suggested.

Sir Yassar Smith, Chairman of Lloyds'
Bank, who was present at the conference,
in a speech at the annual meeting of the
Bank, yesterday, said that unless reme-
dies were promptly applied it was feared
that the gradual and persistent spreading
of bankruptcy and anarchy must ensue.
It is anticipated that the Cabinet will
come to a decision quickly, but the ques-
tion will be raised at the meeting of Par-
liament on Tuesday in the debate on the
Address. Meanwhile, the effects upon the
cotton industry illustrate the likelihood
of all sections of the community suffer-
ing most severely.

Yesterday's dollar quotations brought
the cotton import business at Liverpool
to a complete standstill, and importers
have begun to re-ship cotton to America.
The matter is most serious for operatives,
because the present stocks, without fresh
imports will be exhausted in ten weeks,
although there are considerable quanti-
ties at sea.

London, February 4th.
The Evening Standard states that as a
result of the Finance Conference the In-
ternational Conference will be asked to
meet, probably, in London, or in Paris
if more convenient.

It is understood that the Treasury has
decided to reduce the paper money cir-
culation by £20,000,000 and further decreases
will be made.
The Bankers have decided to keep a
tight hold on advances until credit has
improved by increased production and
economy.

INDIAN CURRENCY COMMITTEE.

London, February 1st.
The report of the Indian Exchange and
Currency Committee, of which Sir T.
Babington-Smith is Chairman, states
that the rise in the rupee exchange has
been to the advantage of India generally.
The Indian trade is not likely to be per-
manently injured from fixing the ex-
change at a high level.

The Committee recommend, *inter alia*,
that the present rupee be not changed in
weight and fineness, that the rupee be
placed on a gold basis, instead of gold
and sterling which were identical before
the war; that the parity be ten rupees
to the sovereign; that the import and
export of gold to and from India be
freed from Government control when the
statutory ratio is effected; that at the
earliest convenient moment the embargo
on the import of silver should be removed,
but that there should be retained tempo-
rarily the prohibition of export.

The Indian Currency Committee con-
sider that if the price of silver exceeds
the above-mentioned gold parity beyond
a brief period the situation should be
met by all available means than by im-
pairing the convertibility of the Note
issue, of which the maintenance is re-
garded as essential. The Government
should even be prepared to buy silver for
the rupee coinage at a loss.

The Secretary of India has decided to
adopt the above-mentioned gold parity
recommendation, but, after reviewing the
abnormal existing conditions, he has
decided to retain, temporarily, the issue
of licences in respect of importation of
gold, and, during the transitional period,
the sovereign will remain legal tender at
the present ratio of fifteen rupees.

FUTURE AIR POLICY.

London, February 2nd.
Major-General F. H. Sykes, in his
lecture on the Imperial air-routes, defined the
Egypt to India, the Cairo to the Cape,
the India to Australia, England to Egypt,
England to Canada, and, also, England
to the West Indies, via Azores routes.

General Sykes emphasised the necessity
of keeping the first line of the fighting Air
Force always on a war footing.
Military aviation, however, was circum-
scribed on the ground of finance, while
civil aviation must never cease to expand.
Each must co-operate with the other, one
instrument in the development of Im-
perial trade which could be used, if neces-
sary, as a great aerial reserve.

General Sykes hoped that, before long,
the Air Force of the Empire would be
valued for strategic purposes into one
force, co-ordinated by the Imperial Air
Staff.

He was of opinion that the principles
of the Service and the civil aviation ex-
periments applied equally to the Domin-
ions and to the Mother Country.
Excluding the Anglo-Australian flights
the machines of the principal firms be-
tween May 1st and December 31st last
year flew 690,000 miles and carried 84,000
passengers. There were only eighteen acci-
dents and five deaths. General Sykes
thought that the future air policy of the
component parts of the Empire would be
to keep in close touch with England in
matters of common policy. Each of the
Dominions should have a small service
and a large civil air fleet to meet its own
strategic demands, and the Empire air
organisation should be able quickly to
concentrate for its assistance in case of
need.

WAR HONOURS.

London, February 5th.
An official statement about war honours
shows that the total number of honours
conferred on British Forces was 247,570,
and on the Indian Forces 6,188, making
a total of 253,758.

Of this total 678 were Victoria Crosses,
3,362 British Empire Medals, 1,784
1914 Stars. A comparison is attached show-
ing 3,714 honours given in the Boer War
when the troops in the field were 448,432
against, approximately, 6,000,000 in the
late war.

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Kowloon, February 5, 1920.

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H.M.S. "Carlisle",
And Cornet Cook, R.M.L.I.,
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to fill the place of James William
Lowther, writes Charles T. King in
The Express. Many were afraid last
winter that he would resign, but he
comforted the Government and the
House by announcing that he would
like to remain in the chair until the
fulfilment of peace.

I am sure that since Sir Thomas
Huntford became the first Speaker
in 1377 no occupant of the chair has
been more fully master and servant
of the Court than Mr. Lowther.
Right through his Deputy Speakership
from 1905 to this moment, he has
adorned the chair, dominated the
House, and held the reverence—al-
most the fear—of most members.

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sition. He is "a fine figure of a man,"
whether rising in full-bottomed wig
and silken gown and silver-buckled
shoes to announce some message
from far shores to the Mother of
Parliaments, or riding his big horse
or fencing on the terrace of mornings
to secure air and exercise in order to
counteract the long sittings beneath
his canopy in the Commons.

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that of a finely developed English-
man, there was one voice that the
Speaker of the Commons needed. Mr.
Lowther has it. It is a voice full of
deep, resonant tones, and capable of
great meaning in its inflections. It
is a daily joy at the close of questions
to hear his voice intoning—with
natural power—the conventional
order. "The Clerk will now proceed
to read the orders of the day." It is
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READY WIT.

Mr. Lowther has averted many a
black storm with his ready wit. His
swift answers, straight to the point,
are never strained, and his superb
voice is never hurried or flustered.
I remember one day questioners
were after Mr. Churchill like a pack
of wolves. Again and again the
Minister evaded or said nothing.
"Mr. Speaker," cried one, "are we
not entitled to a reply from the right
hon. gentleman?"

"You can't get blood out of a
stone," came the soft-cooing voice of
the Speaker and it ended in laughter.
Years ago there was some discus-
sion in the House, and Mr. Hilaire
Belloc, broad-chested and a little
corpulent, was in the midst of it.
Some one roared that Mr. Belloc
should settle it outside the House.
"The hon. member," said the Speaker,
"soothing the din," is excellently
qualified. He fills a large space in
the literary world." The House
laughed, and all was well. He con-

JAPANESE 'FLU MASKS.

The nosebag habit (says the
"Japan Chronicle") has taken strong
root during the present epidemic of
influenza, though it was unknown in
that of the autumn of 1918. This is
a reversal of the experience of other
countries, where they have used the
muzzles in the first epidemic and
discarded them as a superstition in the
second. The Japa chemists
are doing an excellent business in
the new respirators, which might
possibly have the effect of limit-
ing the infectious spluttering of
an influenza patient, but would
hardly afford a serious obstacle to
the breathing in of free floating
germs—if indeed, that is the method
by which infection is achieved. It is
a delightful sight to see Japanese
gentlemen walking over the hills on
a Sunday taking the fresh air through
a respirator! They may be observed
at a height of a couple of thousand
feet and far from any human habi-
tation, wearing the mask with all the
solemnity of a religious emblem. In
the trams, on the other hand, visited
air plus a mask is more than flesh
and blood can bear, and off comes
the mask!

trols the seething cauldron in an
excited scene with a firm hand.
Members respect or fear his eye, and
everybody admires his glacial im-
partiality whether to rank or party.
His shrewd common sense helped to
frame and to place on the Statute
book the greatest extension of the
franchise seen in Britain, and his
humour and understanding of men
are such that often when I have seen,
as it were, great quivering boulders
of trouble on the equipoise, he has
brought them down on the sides of
laughter and good will.

When, after an hour or two of
high tension and hectic excitement,
the House needs rest for its nerves,
he will call out a bore, and the House
will melt away for coffee or Scotch.
When a particularly futile debate is
on, he will mercifully call on some-
body who will be funny. When this
man of superb presence and mighty
tact leaves the chair, who will suc-
ceed him? Many names are men-
tioned in gossip. Sir Ernest Edock has
indescribable solemnity of face and
real humour; Mr. Asquith would
make a fine Speaker—but perhaps
the man best equipped by experience
and knowledge is the Deputy Speaker,
whose name will go down to history
with the Whitley Councils. No man
I could point to would quite fill Mr.
Lowther's place. Such men are
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THE HEBREW PROPHETS
AND ROADMAKING.

The subject of good roads, though
not as old as the hills, at least dates
back to the earliest civilisations.
Even the old Hebrew seers realised
their advantages. Isaiah, a man of
learning and position at court, must,
one would think, have sometimes
been a road engineer, perhaps on the
then Road Board, or in the
Ministry of Transport; for his utter-
ances on the subject are fre-
quent. In his visions of a future
time of happiness and prosperity
good roads were an essential feature.
How he would have rejoiced to see
realised "in the desert a highway"
as built by our Palestine Force, or
the consummation of free intercourse
he longed for when he foretold
"in that day there shall be a high-
way out of Egypt to Assyria." Did he
foresee our Class I and II roads when
he prophesied "a highway shall be
there and a way," or was this an
anticipation of separate roads for
fast and slow traffic? His
economies were sound. His ideal
highway was straight, in which
"every valley shall be exalted and
every mountain shall be made low:
the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough places plain." Had
he been addressing a modern meeting
he could scarcely have chosen better
when promising well-drained roads
in the bottoms, easy grades to the
lorry user, or arterial roads and
smooth surfaces to the motorist. His
call to work is as keen as that of any
enthusiast of to-day: "Cast up,
cast up the highway; gather out the
stones!"

Isaiah's mind seems to have
focussed rather on the roads than on
the speed of future traffic, but who-
ever has watched modern military
transport will realise how aptly, had
they referred to delivering forces,
the words of Jeremiah might have
been applied to the movements of
our Palestine and Mesopotamian
expeditions. "He shall come up as
clouds, and his chariots shall be
as the whirlwind." Nahum, too,
has a vivid picture: "Chariots shall
rage in the streets; they shall jostle
one against another in the broadways,
they shall seem like torches, they shall
run like the lightning." Could there be
a better description of the noises of
mechanical traffic, of the glaring
head lamps, and of the high speeds
and congestion which have resulted
in the demand for speedways and
street widenings. Would these old-
time words after all have been
much out of place at the recent Road
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DEATH.

HAYNES.—At the French Hospital on February 6, Mrs. H. Haynes, late matron of King Edward Hotel. Funeral passes the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEB. 7, 1920.

HONGKONG COMPANIES.

We have seldom published a more lucid or convincing letter than the one we did yesterday concerning the directors' proposals for dealing with the profits of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company. As regards that particular company, in what follows we are not particularly concerned with it. The letter about its affairs has not interested us in this prosperous city so much as it has turned our mind to some things that have needed saying about the administration of local companies generally. We now proceed to say them.

There is a general feeling in the Hongkong community, in this section of it which includes the small investor, that the local share market has an undue influence upon local directors. In arriving at decisions as to the allocation of the profits of their companies, the directors should never have the local share market and its fluctuations in their minds at all. We shall probably be told that they can't help it.

It would be most gratifying to the small investor in local companies to learn that their directors have no dealings on the share market in their own shares; but we have no right to expect that. Still, the desirability of it is plain enough. The decisions of directors as to amount of dividends, bonuses, deferment of dividends, reserves, etc., improve or depress local quotations, and it is obvious that the temptation of those having inside information to take advantage of the rise or fall in the market must be very considerable.

Another inconvenient feature of local company administration has been publicly referred to in the past, and is betrayed by the Directory. That is the way in which local directors seem to be confined to a few hands. The same names come again and again on the

directors of company after company. Not one half of the ugly rumours that circulate in the Colony with regard to the alleged divided or dovetailed interests of local directors can ever be confirmed, because in some large share transactions the name of the actual principal need not be disclosed. Nor, on the other hand, can they ever be satisfactorily disproved or refuted. The ugly rumours will continue to circulate, robbing excellent local industries of local confidence and support, and quite probably representing a grave injustice to the honourable names and reputations of the honourable men connected with them.

If there are rogues in our midst, their honest associates will be censured and will suffer with them, under the present unsatisfactory arrangement.

Needless to say, our *dossier* includes some particular stories that give names and dates, and in one case we have a willing witness. So that we know there is some foundation for the unsavoury public gossip.

ADVERSARIA.

It is true that "C'EST VRAI" in the majority of means "CAWD'S" mawkish is hypocritical and selfish. They pretend to love trees. When it rains they go indoors or cover themselves. But who provides the poor trees with umbrellas? They cannot help themselves. They are left standing out in the rain. We have seen a Hongkong tree at its post, quite "wet through" as the saying is. It made no complaint.

The Methodist Programme of Study Conference now in session at Peking proposes to establish Christian Communities throughout China. The scheme provides that the Church in the various localities undertake and organize in groups of two or three hundred the poorest people in the community for co-operative self-support. The Church shall capitalize them only to the extent of providing land for them to cultivate and of furnishing expert vocational guidance to every member of the group. The use of money will be completely abandoned within each Community, and the Community will not raise or manufacture anything to sell. It will raise collectively everything, the whole group expects to eat, and manufacture collectively all the clothing the members expect to wear, and build collectively all the houses necessary for their shelter.

That is Bolshevism. Murder, torture, terrorism, etc., are not Bolshevism. They are Russianism. We mention this because some of the

troublesome do not seem to have got it right even yet.

There is a story told of an old cynic going round with a lantern. When asked what he was searching for, he replied "an honest man." The question now is, supposing his lantern to be replaced by a powerful searchlight, and his venue shifted to Hongkong, what his correct answer would be. One suggestion is that he should answer, "a decent house at a fair rent."

A prominent Chinese citizen says that the millions of dollars lost by the Government on its inept and careless rice deal have not left the Colony. If, he says, the Government could get at the excess profits, there would be no loss. They'd get it all back. If its and ans were marriage banns the persons would be busier. Profiteering was invented in Hongkong before ever the War was dreamed of. Jever hear of an asbestos deal?

It would be noticed, WHARVES AND GODOWNS. The Chairman at the meeting of Wharf and Godown shareholders made no real attempt to answer the points so effectively scored by "Interested" in the Press. To say that such things should have been said at the meeting, and not in the Press, is merely to stand on Red Tape. It might be that a man is not a good speaker, or too nervous to deliver such a closely reasoned argument *vis a vis*. More over, we all know that shareholders who criticize get very poor backing. There are so many wheels within wheels, and men here who are so dependent and so timid, that the "interests" don't have to worry unduly about such analyses. Whereas, publication of such figures in the Press must make the shareholders think a bit. The mistake "Interested" made was in not publishing his letter sooner, so as to give 'em time to digest it.

In the old days the Haynes family seemed to be happy enough, and to have a fair future. Harry was popular. The children were dear little things. When Harry Haynes relinquished the management of the Hongkong Hotel, in circumstances we need not now discuss, the tide turned. The twins died. Harry died. Mrs. Haynes, with two daughters, was left to battle in a world not distinguished for unselfishness. Only the other day we had to report the death of one of the girls, who a day or two before that seemed bright and happy. Yesterday the peaceful end of the troubles of Mrs. Haynes came to her; and Miss Haynes is left orphaned and alone. For her there should be a special Providence.

In the year 1643 a Jesuit "Father" (how can Catholics be fathers?) came to China. His name was Martin Martini, and he was a Tyrolean. He lived in Hangchow and died there in 1661. He published the first really useful atlas of China, but there is absolutely no foundation for the opinion sometimes hazarded that the Martini cocktail was named after him.

Lord Milner told the House of Lords that he was in no hurry to see the high prices come down. Any sudden drop in prices would be disastrous, because it would sweep away the revenue on which we depend for taxation. Quite so. The more taxation that is got indirectly from the poor majority, the less the wealthy minority is called upon to pay directly.

The winner of the Derby may be picked from these four—John Peel's Piledriver and Soares' Spoiled Child. The last-named is certain to be placed, though one expert student of form relegates it to third position.

The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., have placed an order with Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., Belfast, for five liners of the P class, for the Australian emigrant and cargo service, via the Cape. These vessels will be somewhat larger than the previous ships of this class, and will be about 13,800 tons each. They will be named Ballarat, Balranald, Baradine, Barrabool, and Bendigo. The construction of the first of the ships has been begun at Belfast, but several of them will be built at the firm's Scottish yards.

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THE CARNIVAL FIRE.

ANXIETY RELIEVED.

HONGKONG'S RUMOUR MONGERS.

Anxiety of Hongkong people who had relatives and friends at the Manila Carnival was relieved this morning when it became generally known that the first reports, or rather rumours, were greatly exaggerated—no uncommon thing where Hongkong is concerned. The report of somewhere about 2,000 deaths to which the *China Mail* declined to give credence without the fullest confirmation, is now proved to be false. Latest information to hand gives the number killed as one, with six seriously injured and a number slightly so. Throughout yesterday afternoon and evening enquiries were still being made but generally they were fruitless. There are many complaints about the time cables took to arrive here. For instance an urgent telegram was despatched for Manila at 11.30 a.m. yesterday. The reply was handed in at the Manila office at 3.35 p.m. That cable was delivered to a place five minutes' walk from the cable office at 10.15 p.m., having been received at "Eastern" at 8.30! The question has also been asked as to why the authorities here did not get into touch by wireless with Manila and endeavour to get news. In any case why cannot the wireless station at Stonecutters be made available to the public on occasions like this?

The following telegram, from a most reliable source, was received by a local firm last night: "The fire started at twenty minutes past six on Thursday evening, in the Provincial Exhibits Hall, and, fanned by a strong south-east wind, spread rapidly, the flames consuming the entire south-west sections containing all the Government exhibits and the 'Automotive' building. The aeroplanes, the auditorium and several Government commercial exhibits, on the north side, were saved. The outbreak was probably due to defective electric wiring."

The loss will probably be over a million pesos, mainly in connection with provincial and automotive exhibits, upon which little insurance had been effected. Forty Chinese boy scouts helped in spreading the alarm and assisting in rescuing injured people.

The Directors state that the Carnival will be continued. One person was killed, six severely injured and a number slightly injured in the rush. The grounds were only partly full owing to the early hour.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

MANILA, Feb. 7, 3.30 a.m. The Carnival exposition section was entirely destroyed, the loss being estimated at 2,000,000 pesos. The Carnival section was not damaged. There was no loss of life. 40 persons being injured.

The Carnival continued, notwithstanding disaster. The attendance was 40,000 on Friday night. The Carnival being extended for one night for the purpose of holding a consolation ball. This is probably the largest gathering ever assembled which emphasised the spirit of the Manila public.

All the insular exhibits were destroyed. About 40 per cent. of the commercial exhibits were saved. The U.S. Army forces rendered invaluable assistance in saving lives and property. A sergeant of the engineers ascended the Tower to save the American flag. He was successful in his object but was injured by falling from the Tower.

GOOD LUCK AND BAD LUCK.

This morning at the raw hour of six a police officer was on the job. He stopped a Chinese on his way to market with a basket. The officer's alarm was so great that the officer was sure he had got a bite. He had. He was in luck. The Chinese was in bad. There were three fowls in the basket. The officer keeps fowls, and he thought to himself, "These might have been mine." He had lost a lot. He took his man to the charge room, where there was light. Those fowls were his own. Just then in came his own servant to report that three fowls had been stolen. Tableau! Now, wasn't that luck?

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER FORCE.

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THE WEEK'S CHAT.

CHIEFLY FOR WOMEN.

Does any one feel chatty, when clouds hang grey and heavy on their windows panes? We talk of people living in the clouds, and think of visionary dreamy souls, but here the most practical and ordinary folk live in the clouds, and what is more they grieve about it.

A slang Americanism invites people in cloudland to come to earth but I doubt that there is much to choose between living in the clouds or below them on a foggy day. A feeling of desperation may drive the Peak dweller to the lower levels after some days of impenetrable greyness, but the muggy heavy atmosphere of Victoria, makes them gasp for breath and rush topside again, as soon as possible.

The women folk score, they being the leisured class, can don old clothing and go for a tramp on the mountain roads, while the moisture clings to cheek and hair inducing bright complexion and soft waving tresses, man, poor devil, must work while woman plays, since weeping has gone out of fashion. So he goes to the office to toil and slave in an atmosphere of a Turkish bath and wonders why God hates him! After wondering for a little while, he probably adjourns to the club and discusses the matter, with his brothers in misfortune. Anyhow, why should we have fog at this time of the year. "It is a bit thick, isn't it?"

Many thanks to the "Adversarialist" for putting me in my place. I give him best, he is always right. "He can't help it, he was born that way!" He is not the only person who thinks it presumptuous of me to criticize, but as he justly says he is so clever, that he knows how to express his resentment, also he belongs to the canine species, not necessarily male and not the feline, not necessarily female, when he has a hate, he bites, he does not scratch.

You know how to treat a bite, you respect it and cauterize it! Scratches do not seem to count, they have to be deep before they fester, if you have a healthy and not too thin skin, you don't bother about them. Some people seem to think that criticism and discussion imply a feeling of superiority or conceit upon the part of the critic, this is of course absurd. Quite a number of people who have never written plays or books, make a living by writing criticisms of other people's work. Quite a lot of people whose life's history would not bear scrutiny write or preach morality and philosophy.

Imperfections in oneself do not make you blind to imperfections in others. This is particularly the case in the arts or in parlour tricks, many people refrain from performing in public because they are conscious of their own limitations, even as they suffer under the limitations of other less modest amateurs. Having studied music, and singing and elocution they realize the possibilities of enjoyment in expert interpretation and the reverse.

One must say for the credit of this community that people on the whole are very modest about their talents and that parlor tricks as such hardly exist. Bridge has done a great deal to wipe out those painful musical evenings of the late Victorian and Edwardian periods. In those days mother would intrude nay command her fair daughter to sing or play, and polite guests stifled yawns during the vocal items and talked loudly to the accompaniment of a piano solo. No wonder so many people preferred the piano to the human voice, in those days.

To-day very few amateurs would presume to perform even to their personal friends, unless they were pretty good. The standard expected by the educated public has become so high that the mediocre take refuge in cards or games.

Dancing is the great standby and deservedly so, for it is a healthy exercise, a delightful pastime and admits of the choice of partnership.

Mrs. Basil Taylor's two days' entertainment at her home, Kenil, The Peak, was rather an original show for this part of the world. It had the merit of being cosmopolitan and one's interest was kept continually alive, by relays of people arriving. There were French, nuns, bringing Portuguese pupils, pretty girls who played and sang and brought an element of fresh youth into the atmosphere of the traditional "at home," though there was nothing ordinary or traditional about Mrs. Taylor's "at home"—it was a bright merry show right through, and was a gracious way of thanking people who had helped her in her efforts for Devasted France and quite a number of old helpers came forward at short notice to help to entertain other helpers.

An interesting and very ambitious item of the programme was a scene from Major Bowen's play "Joan of Arc." The first act was read by Mrs. Crose as "Joan" and Major Bowen, Major Law and Lt. Col. Crose in the other parts. The play, as its name implies is historical and judged by the first act, Major Bowen has treated the subject with poetic strength and profound study, with full stage setting and the parts acted instead of read a very fine production should be presented.

Lieut. Colonel Crose who appears to be a man of extraordinary versatility had written suitable music. His comic songs were another bright feature of the afternoon's entertainment.

Mr. Temple Bevan, a composer, whose songs have been published by the well known firm of Novello and Company, Limited, London, in their series of school songs, accompanied the Masters Rolitt and Collier, two choir boys, who sang a group of his settings to selections from Stevenson's Garden of Verses.

It was a pity the boys who had pretty voices had not had more time to practice the songs as it was impossible to do full justice to the composition in the few practices they had put in.

However, anyone who knows music is able to judge on merit and allow for detracting circumstances in the interpretation.

A little play "Mrs. Hilary Regret" was bright and amusing and altogether the two afternoons were worthy of the trouble that had been taken to insure their success.

What is the matter with women in this place? I wonder if other readers beside myself noticed that at the meeting of the Ladies' Recreation Club, a man took the chair? He seems to have been a very nice man for he apologized for the fact that the secretary had forgotten to send out copies of the report and then asked if the members would take it as read. I wonder if any of them will read it. Did they write it themselves, or did they get a man to write it.

Seems as if they were afraid to show that they know enough to conduct their own meetings, like the monkey folk in Kipling's Jungle Book, who were afraid they might be made to work.

I suppose anything as vulgar as a suffragette would have to hide away if she came to Hongkong. There was a time, when a display of intelligence on the part of a woman was considered unladylike. Even to-day the word intellectual as applied to a woman is often used as a term of contempt.

Once heard a woman out here say to a new arrival in tones of utter condescension. "I am afraid you will not like Hongkong, because you are so intellectual!"

The poor thing thus labelled was not really a bit out of the ordinary, she had not assimilated anything more in the educational line than was offered to the average woman in the average lady like school a few years ago. She happened to be ambitious and eager to progress upon broad lines and wished to see and learn all the wonderful lessons which are there for travellers in the east to garner. She also wanted to dance and play like other women and have a good time, but it took quite a while for her to live down the terrible reputation for cleverness, that had emanated from some coance remark or more or less sensible question, and when she went to dances they introduced her to old men or put her among the chaperones. At last in despair, she went to Paris for six months and before going she threw away her blue stockings. No she did not throw them away, she gave them to some of those fascinating Chinese girl students at St. Stephen's, who are not ashamed of wanting to learn.

She came back with picture hats and very high heeled shoes and oh such short skirts, with the flimsiest of silk stockings. She drank cocktails, smoked cigarettes, with wonderful holders, very long. She had introduced a new line to her waist, and a new tint into her hair, her eyebrows were the latest shape, she brought out the latest slang and the newest dances and she thought she would catch on like wild fire.

Nothing doing! She had not yet struck the happy mien. She was too smart now; one must not be too smart, on our little island, it isn't good form. However, she was a determined, we will not say clever woman, and a few weeks of close study of local manners and local clothes, with a soupçon of the local accent, soon polished off sharp edges.

Imitation did what originality could never do, she wrote a motto over her bed and read it morning and night. "When on the Peak, peak!"

Now she is among the elect, in fact she Queens it, her engagement book is bursting with engagements, her box bugsles over with cards, her dances for the next two seasons. She cannot book up further ahead, because her husband's leave is due, about that time. Besides that, some of the people who are on the "not to be known list" just now, may be on the visiting and dancing list in the course of a few seasons and things may want readjusting, one never knows. Dressmakers and tailors and milliners are working overtime, the one event of the year when fashionable and smart women can show off their clothes is drawing near.

If you are on friendly terms with a few women who are keen of clothes and who of us are not, you hear soulful discussions as to whether you shall fall to the temptation of Madame Flint's latest Parisian importations which are really not so very expensive, and are oh, very fascinating, or whether you will wear last year's frock and send your dollars away to be converted into fabulous sums overseas. I have of course written very strongly on the local purchasing value of the

TRADE WITH GERMANY.

GOVERNMENT'S REPLY.

We are requested by the Secretary of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce to publish the following correspondence.

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Hongkong, January 19, 1920.

Sir—You are probably aware that British Merchants are uncertain whether or not they can properly engage in business with Germany and Austria, and appear to be awaiting an Imperial pronouncement as to the exact situation.

My Committee direct me to request a definite expression of opinion from your Government, for which they will be obliged.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sgd.) E. A. M. Williams,
Secretary.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, Jan. 27, 1920.

Sir—With reference to your letter of the 19th January, 1920, enquiring whether British merchants can properly engage in business with Germany and Austria, I am directed to inform you that the legal position remains unaltered by the exchange of ratifications as the effect of Ordinance No. 9 of 1919 is to continue the prohibitions of the Trading with the Enemy Ordinances until such date as is declared by His Majesty in Council to be the date of the termination of the present war.

New business with Germany and German-Austria is, however, legal under the general licences which were given by Notifications Nos. 359 and 360 in the Government Gazette of August 8, 1919, as amended by Notification No. 410 of September 5, 1919.

The restrictions of the Alien Enemies (Winding up) Ordinance are, however, still in force and pre-war transactions are also affected by the provisions of the Treaty of Peace Order which was published in the Government Gazette of January 9, 1920.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Sgd.) CLAUD SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary,
Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollars is worth 5s. 10½d.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Moorish Prince," are reminded that all goods remaining undelivered after Feb. 10.

When a Chinese who was arrested in Shaukiwan Road, was this morning charged with the unlawful possession of 8 taels of prepared non-Government opium, he pleaded "guilty." Mr. Smith fined him \$80 or 6 weeks' hard labour and ordered the opium to be confiscated.

The Banque Industrielle de Chine is opening a new branch at Singapore. M. Durand, has been appointed manager. M. Barneau who has been in the office of this city for about 6 months, left to-day for the new branch at Singapore where he is to take charge of the accounting department. He sailed on the P. & O. Steamer "Gregory Apca."

dollar and have been severely jumped upon by one or two people. I see their point and I also acknowledge that some of the women who have sent home have made sorry bargains. But I do maintain, in the face of such arguments that local prices in most cases are too high.

Several firms have come into line and are lowering their prices to suit the times and they are beginning to profit by increased custom. Women get through a lot of evening dresses out here and that is why they have to fight about prices. Evening dresses are subject to severe strain, continual dancing, continual atmospheric change so that what one wants is plenty of pretty but fairly cheap dresses which can be discarded without a sigh or regret and can be replaced frequently.

THE GOSSIP.

February 6, 1920.

BEWARE OF COLDS.

(CHILDREN are much more likely to contract the "cough and cold" when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are of an contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. The sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

THE LATE MRS. H. HAYNES.

It was with deep regret the "China Mail" had to record, yesterday, the death of Mrs. H. Haynes at the age of 53. Death came at two o'clock in the afternoon. Owing to the lateness of receipt of the news, only the barest details could then be given. Mrs. Haynes had been a resident of Hongkong for about eighteen years. She was of Scotch parentage and married her late husband, Mr. Harry Haynes, in Hongkong. He was at the time manager of the Hongkong Hotel. They resided in Canton for some time, and on returning to the Colony, Mr. Haynes took the position of manager of the King Edward Hotel and Mrs. Haynes the position of matron, and it was due to their combined efforts that the Hotel was given the popularity it enjoys to-day. Mr. Haynes died just seven years ago, his wife still continuing to hold the office of matron wherein she remained until her death. It will be remembered that the deceased lost her daughter, Lillian, from pneumonia following influenza, only a couple of weeks ago. The youngest daughter, Miss Dolly Haynes, was lying in a critical condition for some time, from the same complaint, but fortunately is now well on the way to convalescence. Mrs. Haynes never left the bedside of her dying daughter and for over a period of about a week had practically no rest. This undoubtedly left her in a very weak condition and she had to take to her own bed just a week ago.

Great sorrow is expressed for the deceased, who, by her kindly and sympathetic manner had endeared herself to all she met. Regular patrons of the King Edward Hotel will greatly miss her efficient work and attention. She leaves one daughter, Miss Dolly Haynes, and one son, who it is understood, holds a commission in the army and is at present in England.

The cause of death was meningitis, complicated by pneumonia.

The funeral passes the Monument to-day at 5 p.m.

A WARNING.

The Naval Authorities notify for public information that a considerable quantity of Naval Cordite will be burnt on Stonecutters Island on Monday next, 9 inst., commencing about 7.30 p.m.

DON'T COUGH.

It is absurd to allow a cough to hang over you and sap your vitality when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure you. You don't know where a persistent cough will lead you. You can't afford to allow your throat and lungs to become diseased when it is such a simple thing to step into a chemist's shop and get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

Spend your Evenings in a "WALLA WALLA" Launch.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

[Translated for the China Mail from the Wuh Tss Yai Po.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 6.

Military and police plans for dealing with rebellious students are approved by the Cabinet.

A thousand students were out speechmaking in Peking. Soldiers arrested some. They turned out again last night, shedding tears and bitter words.

Hunan tea is exempted from export duty for two years.

LOVE IMPEACHED.

Listen for pity—I impeach

The tyrant Love that, after play, Dribbles on Beauty's cheek, and still Refuses to be moved away.

That, not content with many a kiss, Plays with his fingers on his lip: And if she turns her back to him, Drums with his hand on either hip.

Sometimes he squeezes, then he slaps, I've heard he even bites her breast. Now, how can Beauty keep her charms, If she gets neither sleep nor rest?

Is there no punishment, I ask— No small corrections, soft and mild: For let us never once forget

That, after all, he's but a child.

—W. H. Davies in *The Owl*.

DON'T RISK PNEUMONIA.

GET rid of every cold as quickly as possible. It is the forerunner of all pulmonary trouble, and pneumonia may develop in a few hours. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is a simple thing to do, but the effect is marvellous. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

EXCHANGE AND MART.

*. At the request or suggestion of many *China Mail* readers, it has been decided to reserve this space for the convenience of those who wish to Sell, Buy, or Exchange items not in the way of regular Trade. Trade advertisements are to be excluded.

*. As this is for the convenience of *China Mail* readers, and to increase its interest for them as a newspaper, there will be no attempt to make it a revenue producing feature.

*. The nominal tariff of Half a Cent a Word (minimum 20 cents) is established to make it serious.

Advertisements for this column must be attached to a Coupon which will be found on Page 10.

*. By way of example, the following "dummy" advts. are printed as a starter. Not one of them is genuine, so readers are warned not to waste time answering them.

FOR SALE.

DRESS SUIT, by gentleman who has been pilled and no longer goes into Society. Worn once. Quickest cash offer gets it.—"FORLORN," Kowloon, c/o *China Mail* Office.

HOGSNO.—Large barrel, suitable for a bachelor of simple tastes. Rain proof, clean. Immediate possession. \$365.—"Phil," c/o *China Mail* Office.

WILL BUY.

PARTNERSHIP in a prosperous Share Broking or Auctioneering Firm. Young gentleman offers 25 per cent. of first year's profits for partnership. Four months' experience in commerce.—"Hopeful," c/o *China Mail* Office.

DOG.—Advertiser wants to buy a dog. Must be male sex, dark red colour, not over a year old, and thoroughly broken to corkscrew. No agents.—"Cash," c/o *China Mail* Office.

EXCHANGE.

MOTOR BICYCLE.—Newly painted, but will not go. Will exchange for set of gramophone records or for an introduction to a girl with money.—"Swift," c/o *China Mail* Office.

UNDIES.—Lady contemplating leaving for Home in March will exchange complete tropical trousseau for a fur coat or travelling rug. No moths.—9,406, c/o *China Mail* Office.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1920.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY, February 11th, 12th, 13 & 14th.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. RAY and WALKER, Limited, or at the Gate. Price \$15 for the Meeting, or \$4 for each day. No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 7, 1920.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO Servants will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the Race Course during the Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS, which can be had on application to the Undersecretary. These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various Stands.

Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit them and the holders thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 7, 1920.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that owing to the death of Mr. B. D. KAPTEYN the undermentioned ponies entered in his name to run at the forthcoming race meeting have been sold by Public Auction and will run in the interest and colours of the purchasers as follows:—

Louisa "Mr. G. C. Moxon, "Black Yellow Hoops and Cap."

Sinza "Mr. John Peel, "Dark Blue, Silver Braid."

Spotted Sand "Mr. Scores, "Old Gold, Dark Green Hoops."

Runaway Light "Mr. T. F. Hough, "Dark Blue, Primrose Hoops."

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 7, 1920.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held at 5.15 p.m. on MONDAY, 15th February, 1920, in the rooms of the Hongkong Jockey Club, 18 Chester Road.

Business:—To receive the Committee's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts To elect a new Committee for the ensuing year.

Any other business that may arise.

H. B. L. DOWNING,

Hon. Secretary.

BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE STEAMSHIP "MO HON"

as she now lies at Yau-mai in the Harbour of Hongkong

Will be sold by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

MONDAY,

the 16th day of February 1920

at 3 p.m.

by

GEO. P. LAMBERT

Auctioneer.

The ship is a Chinese ship registered at Canton and is of 1,400 tonnage. She was placed in dry dock in Hongkong in the early part of 1919 and fully repaired and was duly surveyed in April 1919 and certified to be in good sea-going condition.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

Messrs. WILKINSON & GRIST

or to

Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 7, 1920.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"BEN LEE"

From MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 19th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd inst. at 11 a.m.

No fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, February 6, 1920.

NOTICES.

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THE DOCTOR ORDERS FOR INFLUENZA

BRAND'S ESSENCE OF CHICKEN

per tin \$1.00

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per tin \$1.00

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Ox Tail, Gravy, Mock Turtle,

per tin \$1.00

BRAND'S "FEBRUARY FOOD"

per tin \$1.00

BRAND'S INVALID TURTLE SOUP

per tin \$1.00

BOVILL BEEF EXTRACT

2 oz. botts. 35 cts. 4 oz. botts. 60 cts.

INVALID CALVES' FOOT JELLY

per bot. \$1.00

"EX OX" BRITISH BEEF EXTRACT

per 2 oz. tin 30 cts. 4 oz. tin 55 cts.

LUSTY'S REAL TURTLE SOUP

per pint tin \$1.00

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SMA, EGYPT, EUROPE, &c.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"SOMALI"	6,700	13th Feb.	MARSHALLS & LONDON direct
"MAGNYA"	7,000	13th Feb.	MARSHALLS & LONDON direct
"DILWARA"	8,400	18th Feb.	Straits, Ceylon, Bombay
"KASHMIR"	9,900	9th Mar.	MARSHALLS & LONDON via C. B.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"GREGORY APCAR"	4,700	6th Feb. at 1 p.m.	Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"EASTERN"	4,000	28th Feb.	Sydney & Melbourne.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TAKADA"	7,000	10th Feb.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	9,900	16th Feb. at 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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Parcels Measuring not more than 5 ft. x 2 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the
Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.
Passengers tranship at Colombo to Madras.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Consignees are reminded of the necessity to apply to the Company's Agents
regarding arrival of consignments expected of which they have received documents
or advice.

Any damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the
Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m.
on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No
claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.
For Further Information, Passage Fare, Freight, Handbooks, etc., apply to
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KATORI MARU ... Tuesday, 13th April, at 11 a.m.
SUWA MARU ... Sunday, 2nd May, at 11 a.m.

LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Malacca, Penang,
Colombo, Suez, Port Said & Marseilles.

KAMO MARU ... Tuesday, 16th February, at Noon.
ITO MARU ... Friday, 20th February, at Noon.

HAMBURG, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore,
Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

TOYAMA MARU ... Tuesday, 16th February.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Singapore, Colombo,
Suez and Port Said.

CALCUTTA MARU ... Beginning of March.

MELBOURNE & SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday
Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 18th Feb., at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Mar., at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & HAVANA via Kobe, Yokohama, Murnora,
San Francisco, Panama & Colon.

TOYORI MARU ... End of February

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

YOKOTA MARU ... End of February.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

KESHIN MARU ... Friday, 8th February.

YORIMI MARU ... End of February.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

CEYLON MARU ... Middle of February.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

TANGO MARU ... Saturday, 21st February, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

YAJIMA MARU ... Monday, 9th February, at 11 a.m.

YOTOMI MARU ... Friday, 6th February, at 11 a.m.

SHINYU MARU ... Saturday, 7th February, at 11 a.m.

KAGA MARU ... Thursday, 19th February, at 11 a.m.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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THE Steamship

"ST. ANDREW,"

FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo are hereby

informed that all Goods are being

landed at their risk into the

Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-

loon Wharf and Godown Company,

Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from

the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded

unless notice to the contrary be given

before.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the

7th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or

before the 20th inst. or they will not

be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

Goods are to be left in the Godowns,

where they will be examined on the

6th inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. God-

dard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

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DODWELL & CO. LTD.
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Hongkong, February 3, 1920.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"MOORISH PRINCE,"

having arrived from the above Ports,

Consignees of Cargo are hereby infor-

med that their goods are being landed at

their risk into the Godowns of the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and

Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon,

and stored at Consignees' risk and

expense.

Consignees of cargo are hereby no-

tified that they must produce an

Import permit signed by the Superin-

tendant of Imports & Exports, Hong-

kong, before Bills of Lading can be

countersigned.

All broken, chafed, and damaged

goods are to be left in the godowns,

where they will be examined on

Monday, 9th inst., at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within

FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's

arrival here, after which date they

cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the

goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the

10th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned

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Hongkong, February 3, 1920.

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TAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH

AFRICAN PORTS.

The Homeward Mail Steamer Dilwara

carrying His Majesty's Mail, will

be despatched from this port on or about

18th February, 1920 taking Cargo for the

above ports. Passengers' accommodation

in the connecting vessel, if available

secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Yalumba Cargo for Italy,

France, and London (under arrangement)

will be conveyed in this steamer

proceeding via Bombay, and there

transhipped to the oncoming steamer

for Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office

until 12 Noon the day before sailing.

The contents and value of all packages

are required.

For further particulars, sailing dates,

etc. apply to
MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
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Hongkong, Jan. 19, 1920.

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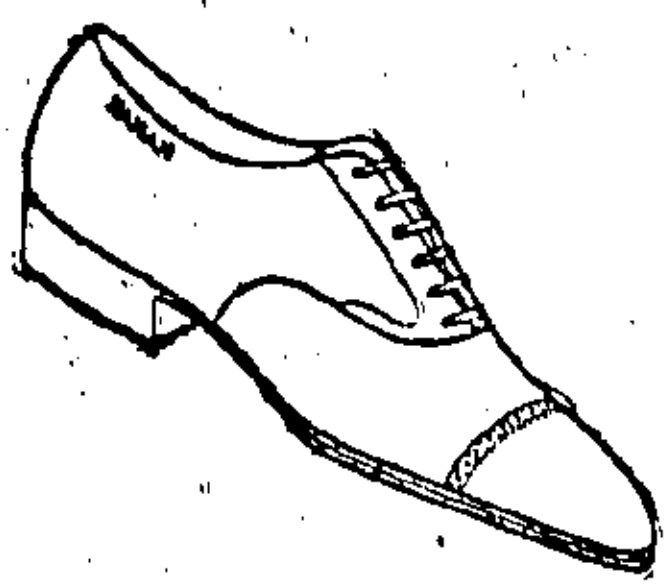
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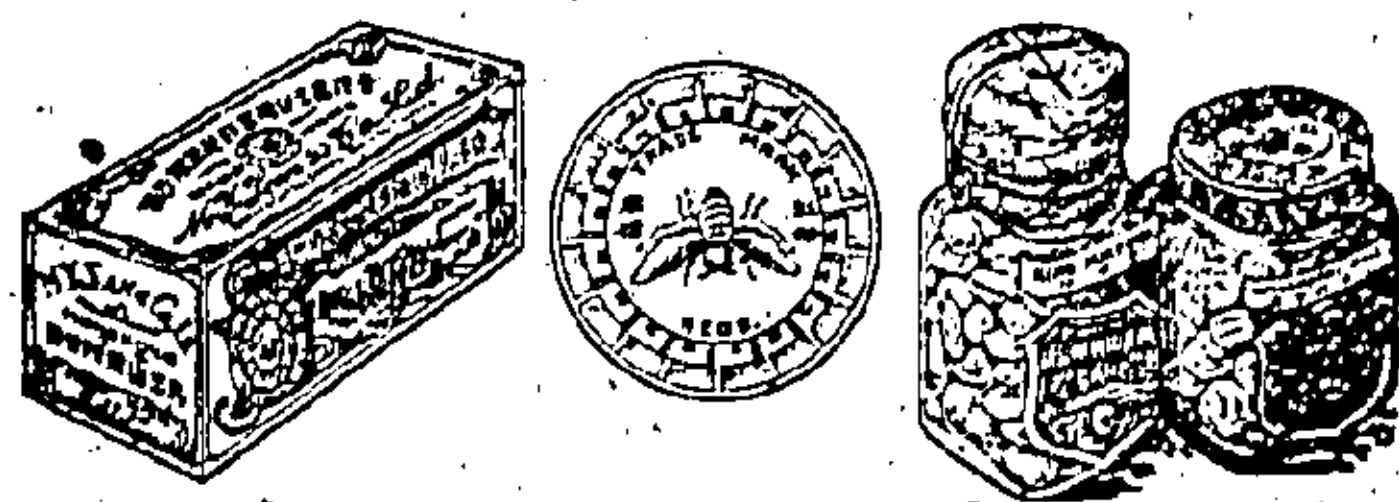
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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THE GERMAN DANGER.

LONDON, February 1st. The "Observer's" Paris correspondent writes that M. Sarraut, Minister of the Colonies, and an ex-Governor of Indo-China, in an interview, emphasised the necessity of France and Great Britain closely co-operating in all parts of the world where French and British territories touched each other. The fate of the British and French Empires are closely linked up. Britain and France ought to stand together as resolutely as in war-time.

The German danger, he said, was not yet over. The Germans were the real inspirers of the Bolshevik moves which were felt as far as China.

He suggested that the British and the French Governments in West Africa and the Far East should be brought in personal touch with each other. While the Home Governments should retain control over any diplomatic negotiations the Governors should be entitled to consult each other and adopt common measures in regard to economic development or safety.

EARL HAIG'S SERVICES.

LONDON, February 2nd. In an Army Order recording the abolition of General Headquarters in Great Britain, the Army Council expresses the highest appreciation of the services which Earl Haig rendered to the Empire. "Never in the history of the British Empire," it says, "has one officer been charged with so momentous a responsibility, and no other British commander, excepting Wellington, brought to a victorious conclusion a campaign on the issue of which hung the very existence of the State."

The Order emphasises that Earl Haig remains on the Active List, and expresses the hope that he may have a further long and successful career of public usefulness.

UNITED STATES NAVY.

WASHINGTON, February 1st. Admiral Taylor, head of the Construction Bureau of the Navy Department, informed the Naval Committee that 940 ships, including 18 Dreadnoughts, 13 pre-Dreadnoughts, 8 armoured cruisers, and 17 light cruisers, will be the peace-time strength of the Navy after July 1st, constituting a tonnage one and a half times of that when the United States entered the war.

LOANS FOR HUNGRY EUROPE.

WASHINGTON, February 1st. The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives has agreed to recommend the authorisation of new loans amounting to \$50,000,000 to Poland, Austria and Armenia for food relief.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

BURLINGTON, VERMONT, Feb. 1st. A sleeping car on the Montreal Express was derailed. It fell down the embankment into the ice-covered Lake Champlain. Twenty were injured, but no one was killed.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

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PEKING STUDENTS AND THE POLICE.

PEKING, Feb. 5. The Students lectured street gatherings yesterday, causing obstructions. The military intervened, forcing them to Tiananmen, where they were surrounded. After detention all were liberated except forty, who admitted responsibility for attacking some officers in an automobile.

The lectures were resumed to-day before larger audiences, the Police later dispersing the Students and destroying their flags.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. W. Logan & Co. report on Feb. 6:

We have another uneventful week to report; the continued rise in exchange has crippled the market and buying orders are few and far between.

The following changes took place during the week under review:— Hongkong Banks declined from \$550 to \$505 and Hongkong Fires from \$310 to \$300. Indo-Chinas are wanted at \$210 (London Register).

China Sugars have buyers at \$200 and Kowloon Wharves at \$87 1/2. Hongkong Docks dropped from \$160 to a buying rate of \$145.

A FIVE MILLION COTTON MILL FOR CANTON.

It is reported in the local press that several wealthy overseas merchants, Messrs. Kwauk Kung-wu, Wong Pang, Cheng Fook, Wong Lum and others, are making plans to open a big cotton mill in Canton. The proposed mill is to be modelled after the big Chinese owned cotton mills in Haiphong, with a total capital of \$5,000,000, to be subscribed jointly by the Seventy-two Guilds merchants in Canton and the Chinese overseas merchants. It is further stated that \$2,000,000 have already been subscribed by the overseas capitalists. The Civil Governor has been approached about the big project, and it is understood that he has expressed his entire approval to the plans of the promoters. The cotton mill will be known as "Tai Chung Hua Cotton Mill."—Canton Times.

AVIATION IN HONGKONG.

Commercial aviation in this part of the world is now within the realm of practical politics. A company will shortly be registered in Hongkong with a capital of gold \$600,000 to establish a service for carrying passengers and mails between Canton and Shanghai via Hongkong, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Ningpo.

It is proposed that there shall be two express lines with their termini at Shanghai. One service will be from Canton to Shanghai, the other from Manila to Shanghai, crossing the Ballintang Channel, passing Formosa and joining the first line at Foochow.

The name of the new aerial company is The Far East Aerial Transport Company, Ltd. It is hoped that the service may start at the end of February. The machines and the necessary materials, it is expected, will arrive in Hongkong at the end of this month.

Initially, there will be eight seaplanes—five double engines, two single engines and one other speedy machine. Besides these there will be fourteen other machines in commission. The seaplanes will all be of the Curtiss type.

The Company expects a profit of 30 per cent. per annum. A lot of support has been promised by Hongkong and Shanghai firms. The Hongkong Government, it is hoped, will also patronise the service. The Chinese Government has, we are told, no objection to the establishment of such an aerial service.—Far Eastern Political Science Review.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND PAYMENT BY RESULTS.

The question of the unemployed is concerning many minds at the present time, and is truly a vital one. How is it affected by payment by results? The following example illustrates actual occurrences and the effect upon the point of view of the men directly concerned will be obvious. When payment by results is applied to a shop working on plain time rates, the output is speeded up and more work is accomplished. The shop and production records consequent upon work on such a system show that there are more men in the shop than there is work to justify. Employees, in consequence, are paid off. Two reasons may be noted—firstly, output is accelerated and, unless foresight has been exercised, men will be out of work until such time as the demand created by the reduced selling price arising from the improved condition of production sets in; secondly, records of work accomplished are kept probably for the first time. The net result, however, is the paying off of men, and an unemployed man will be inclined to take a long view or to find consolation in a contemplation of the increased earnings of those remaining in employment. It is a fundamental consideration that, before payment by results is mentioned, the shop and the work should be thoroughly organised, careful records kept, and there must be full assurance that there is adequate work ahead to ensure employment to all the workers. Ample allowance requires to be made when computing future performance, to the augmented output certain to accrue from the extra incentive of higher wages towards greater effort. In such a way one of the strongest arguments against systems of payment by results will at least cease to be emphasised by actual happenings in such a direct and forcible way as has so often been the case.—Engineering.

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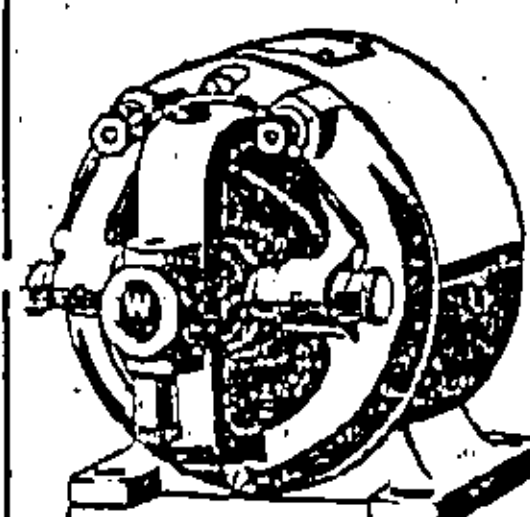
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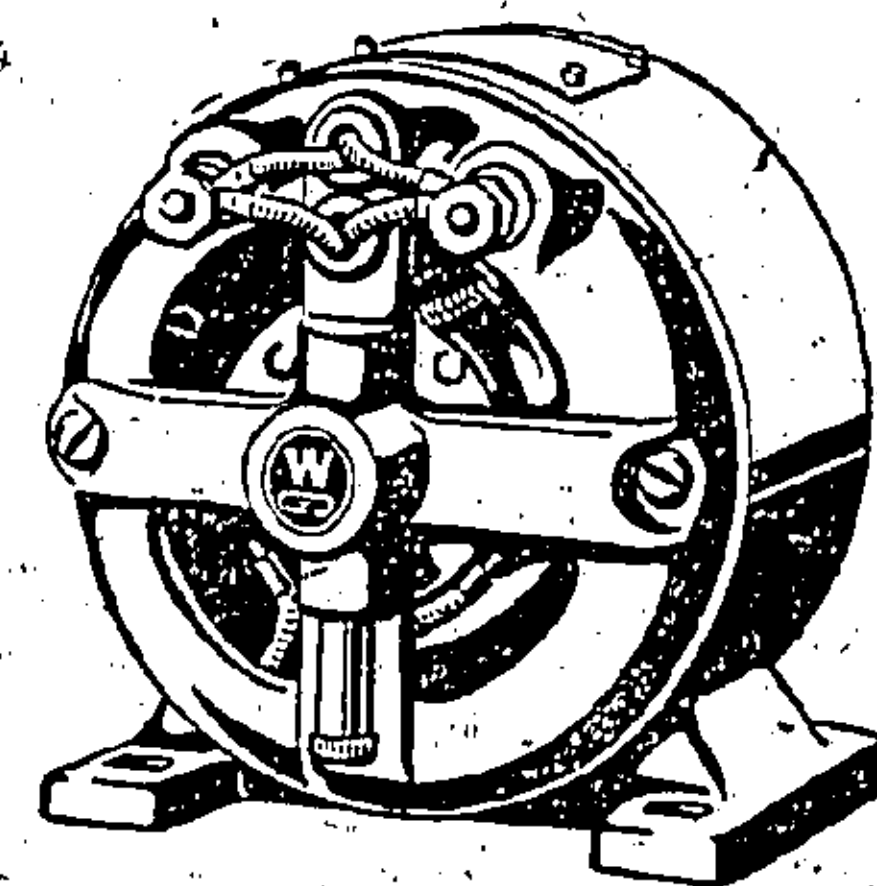
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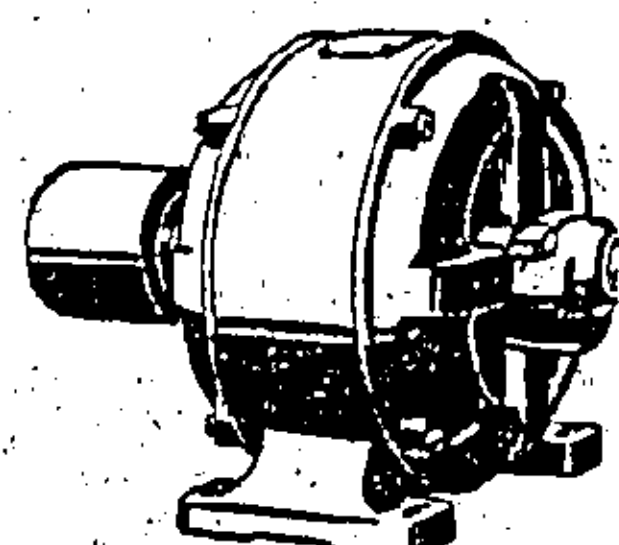


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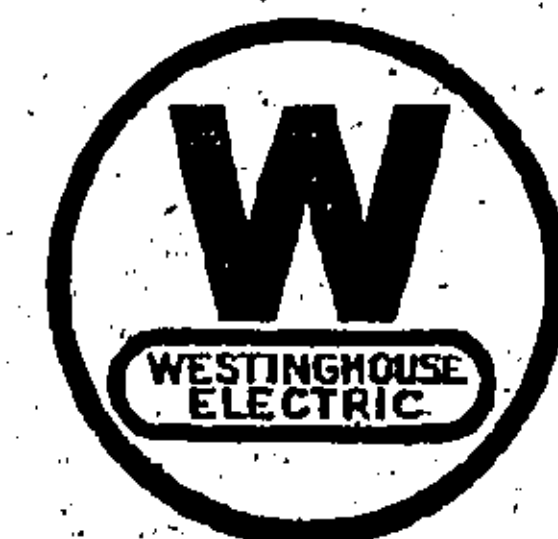


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PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The prize distribution, which took place on Friday, the 6 inst., was presided over by the British Consul-General, J. W. Jamieson, Esq., C.M.G., L.L.D. Before giving out the prizes the Consul-General made a short speech, in which he advised the students to continue their studies after leaving school. He had noticed that a considerable number of Chinese boys were lacking in perseverance. He advised all students to acquire the habit of perseverance. Referring to the trouble that had taken place in the Canton schools, the Consul-General advised the students not to neglect their studies for outside affairs. The better educated they were, the better fitted they would be to help their country. They were too young and inexperienced to interfere in matters which concerned the government of the country and which could be competently dealt with only by experienced government officials. If they saw a man weaving cloth, they would not presume to tell him how he should weave it. They should not therefore interfere in matters of which they had little or no knowledge. He hoped that they would have a pleasant holiday, and he wished them all a very happy New Year.

Mr. Duncan Campbell, the headmaster, briefly thanked the Consul on behalf of the Society, the local committee, the staff and the students for his kindness in coming to distribute the prizes and for the good advice he had given the students. He hoped that now the Consul knew where the school was, he would find time to visit the school occasionally next year and see the students at work. He also thanked the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Messrs. Ho Kom Tong, Ho Fook, Chau Tung Shang, and the executors of the late Mr. Chan Kai Ming for their scholarships and Messrs. Lo Chung Kut, Pun Pui Yu, Chow Hin Sang, Fung Pak Yuet, Pun Sheung Shan, and Wong Mei Shan for their subscriptions to the prize fund. He also thanked Mr. Ng Chung Ming, one of the masters, for giving a special prize for drawing. He announced that the school would re-open on Monday, March 8.

LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship, Class S.3, Cheung Leung Wing; Lau Chu Pak Scholarship, Class S.3, Lai Hay I; Chan Kai Ming Scholarship, Class S.4, Wong Nai Chun; Ho Fook Scholarship, Class M.1, Li Shiu Pang; Chau Tung Shang Scholarship, Class M.2, Leung Ngai Choy.

ENGLISH SCHOOL.

Class Senior III.—1st prize, Lai Hay I; 2nd, Chu Kwong Chiu; 3rd, Cheung Leung Wing.

Class Senior IV.—1st prize, Wong Nai Chun; 2nd, Li Tsoi Kwan; 3rd, Poon Tak Yuen.

Class Middle I.—1st prize, Li Shiu Pang; 2nd, Lai Chik Kei; 3rd, So Yau Yung.

Class Middle II.—1st prize, Leung Ngai Choy; 2nd, Wong Man Chi; 3rd, Tam Sik Hong.

Class Middle III.—1st prize, Tse Chi Fai; 2nd, Fung Lu Ting; 3rd, Cham Cho Lau.

Class Junior I.—1st prize, Chan Kam Pong; 2nd, Tse Hung I; 3rd, Wong Wing Kei.

Class Junior V.—1st prize, Shum Yiu Chung; 2nd, Lam Hung Pak; 3rd, Kwok Sing Man.

Class Junior VI.—1st prize, Yeung Kwong Wood; 2nd, Ip Wing Lam; 3rd, Li Ching Kei.

Class Primary I.—1st prize, Tse Hung Fa; 2nd prizes, Wong Lu Tong, Wong Chun Lei and Tong Sik Kow; 3rd, Tse Sik Che.

CHINESE SCHOOL.

Class I.—1st prize, Leung Put Hung; 2nd, So Yau Yung.

Class II.—1st prize, Li Chi Pan; 2nd, Ip Hung Lam.

Class III.—1st prize, Ting Kit Sui; 2nd, Ko Wing I.

Class IV.—1st prize, Mak Hon Kin; 2nd, Hui Cheung Kim.

Drawing Class.—1st prize, Ip King Leung; 2nd, Ip Wing Lam; special prize (presented by Mr. Ng Chung Ming), Kwok Fook Hon.

Music Class.—1st prize, Kwong Tok Ying; 2nd, Yiu Chi Chiu.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE SCHOLARSHIP.—Class Senior IV.—Wong Nai Chun and Tang Wing Chu.

Class Middle I.—Li Shiu Pang, Li Shiu Yung and Wong Yiu Kei.

Class Middle II.—Cheng Cherk Ping, Chu Man Chung, Ho Sia Chi, Leung Ngai Choy, Lo Kwong Fai, Mong Wing Fat, Pun Wo Chai and Tam Ping Yui.

Class Middle III.—Chan Ping Woon, Cheung Sui Kei, Chung Woo Nam, Ip Hung Lam, Kwok Wa Hoi, Lam Chung I, Leung Yiu Chung, Li Ping Hang, Li Wing Kwan, Ngai Shiu Tuen, Sunny Ho, Tse Chi Fai and Yiu Chi Chiu.

Class Junior I.—Kan Cho Hang and Tse Hung I.

Class Junior V.—Ko Wing I, Lam Shiu Hung, Li Hing, Sung and Wong I Kwan.

Class Junior VI.—Hui Cheung Kim, Ip Wing Lam, Kwok Chung Man, Ng Chi Chai, Ng Min Hing, Woo Chu Hei and Yeung Kwong Wood.

Class Primary I.—Tse Hung Fa, Ho Che Kam and To Yip.

HARBOUR PILFERING.

Before Mr. N. L. Smith this morning, two Chinese were charged with the unlawful possession of 3 catties, and 13 catties of cuttle fish respectively.

Sergeant-Aris said that the two cases were related with one another. The first defendant was arrested in Griffith Road yesterday afternoon, as he was attempting to sell 3 catties of the fish to a hawker. When questioned, he said they were given to him by a seaman on No. 61 lighter. The Police went to the lighter, and there found the other 11 2 catties. The sergeant said that the lighter had been engaged in loading a large cargo of cuttle fish from the s.s. "Gregory Aparca." One bale of fish weighing about 60 pounds was missing when the cargo was checked. Whilst the first defendant was well known to the people on the lighter, no one admitted having given the fish to him. The sergeant further stated that there was no evidence against the other except that he was in charge of the lighter, and the fish was found on board.

The second defendant said he did not know how the fish came to be on board.

His Worship fined the first defendant \$10 or four days' hard labour, and discharged the other.

FOWL PLAY.

When a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with the theft of three chickens, Inspector Kent told his Worship that he was the complainant in the case as the chickens belonged to him. The Inspector said he kept his chickens at the Dogs' Home, where the defendant used to be employed.

Whilst on his rounds this morning, witness saw the defendant carrying the chickens in a basket and questioned him. As he was unable to give any satisfactory answer, witness took him to the station. There witness examined the chickens, and found that they were his. Witness said he had lost many chickens during the time the defendant worked at the Dogs' Home. Witness admitted that he had no proof that the defendant had stolen them, but they went all the same.

His Worship passed sentence of three weeks' hard labour.

WEATHER REPORT.

February 7d. 11h. 55m.—No returns from Vladivostok or Japanese stations. Pressure has increased slightly from Shanghai to Hongkong and is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.18 inches. Against an average of 1.89 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. on January 8th, 1920.

1.—Hongkong to Cap Rock, N.E. winds, fresh; overcast; some drizzling rain or mist.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lanchow. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 7, 1920.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Taku Sha Tsi during the years 1909-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 1 inch below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the 10th of the sounding in the Admiralty chart, add 4 feet 1 inch, and on the gauge at Leamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

February 8 to 15, 1920.

HIGH WATER				LOW WATER			
Day	Time	Height	Hour	Day	Time	Height	Hour
Sun.	8	5.23	0.2	Mon.	9	1.18	5.8
Mon.	9	1.18	5.8	Tue.	10	1.7	5.1
Tue.	10	1.7	5.1	Wed.	11	1.45	5.2
Wed.	11	1.45	5.2	Thur.	12	1.24	5.4
Thur.	12	1.24	5.4	Fri.	13	1.43	5.3
Fri.	13	1.43	5.3	Sat.	14	2.28	5.8
Sat.	14	2.28	5.8	Sun.	15	3.21	6.4
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KINGSCLERE BELL BOY JUGGED.

A Chinese bell boy employed at the Kingsclere Hotel, was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with the theft of a gold watch, three gold pendants and a gold heart-shaped locket, valued together at \$100, the property of Mr. M. G. Haskett, Chief Storekeeper, P.W.D. Mr. Haskett said that the things were removed from a drawer in his room. The defendant was not his room boy, and had no business in the room.

The Police said that the defendant took the things to a pawn shop, and the pawn broker, suspecting that he had not come by them honestly, communicated with the Police and had him arrested. It was then that the defendant admitted that he had stolen them from a room in the hotel.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

HONGKONG SEXAGESIMA, February 8th, 1920.

Holy Communion (7.50 a.m.)

Service for the Sick.
Hymns, 298, 182, 323, 553 and 551.
Matins (11 a.m.)
Responses, Ferial; Venite, Hayes; Psalm, Turton (29th morning); Te Deum, Barab, Turton and Turton (13th evening); Benedictus Matthews (6th morning).
Hymns, 172, 297.
Evening Amen.
Liturgy (12 Noon).
Evangelist (6 p.m.).

Responses, Ferial; Psalms, Goss and Foster (5th morning); Middle Voluntary, Andante in E. minor, Ph-mberger; Magnificat, Parby (5th morning); Nunc Dimittis, Kelsey (2nd morning).
Hymns, 193, 334 and 186.
Sevenfold Amen.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

8th FEBRUARY, 1920.—SEXAGESIMA / SUNDAY

Holy Communion at Midday.

Morning Prayer at 11 a.m.
Opening, Voluntary; Responses, Ferial; Venite, Hayes; Psalm, CXXXIX—Turton (29th Morning); Te Deum, Oakeley 16th Evening; Jubilate, Oakeley; Kyrie, Mendelssohn; Hymns, 5, 404, 433.
Concluding Voluntary.

Evening Prayer at 6 p.m.
Opening, Voluntary; Responses, Ferial; Psalms, XXV—Goss 5th Morning; XXVI—Foster 5th Morning; Magnificat, Parby—XI Evening; Nunc Dimittis, Monk; Hymns, 562, 590, 186.
Vesper Hymn.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Sunday Services, February 8th.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Hymns 377, 569, 293, 298.
Psalm 20.
Evening Service, 8 p.m.
Hymns 561, 50, 228, 389.
Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.

Sunday, February 8.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
Preacher: Rev. G. T. Waldegrave.

Peak Church.

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
8.30 Evening Service.

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First Church of Christ Scientist, MacDonnell Road.

Sundays, 11.15 a.m.
Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

Morning Service, 10.15 a.m.
Evening Service, 6.15 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Arsenals Street.

Sunday Evening, Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glenealy.

Mass at 6, 7 and 9.30 a.m.
High Mass at 8 a.m.
5.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

An interesting lecture was delivered at the Engineers' Institute, last evening, by Mr. J. D. Birrell, the subject being "The Evolution of the Railway Motor." At the conclusion of the lecture, Mr. R. J. Wilton thanked the speaker for a very interesting lecture. Thanks to Mr. B. L. Frost, for operating the lantern, were also accorded.

EXPORTING SILVER.

Mr. N. L. Smith had before him this morning two more cases of attempting to export silver money.

In the first case the defendant was charged with attempting to export \$9.90 in silver money, consisting of seven Hongkong silver dollars, and \$2.90 worth of ten-cent pieces.

The defendant said he came from the country to visit an uncle, and the money was entrusted to him to make purchases. As he could not get what his friends wanted, he was taking their money back to them. He did not know it was unlawful to export silver money from the Colony.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5 and ordered the silver to be changed into notes.

The defendant protested against this saying that the silver did not belong to him, and he had to return to his friends. He was removed from the Court by a constable.

The other man was charged with attempting to export 32 Mexican and Hongkong silver dollars. He said that he had only recently returned from Canada, and was returning to the country. He changed some Canadian money for silver dollars, and intended taking them with him to the country. He did not know it was unlawful to export silver money.

He was also ordered to pay a fine of \$5, and told to change the silver into bank notes.

A BEGGAR'S STORY.

When a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with begging in the public streets, he told a tale of woe. He said he was kidnapped during the fighting last year by some soldiers who looted his village and set fire to his school. They took him to Canton, and then sent him to Hongkong to be beg for his living, as his people were unable to raise money for his ransom.

His Worship thought it advisable to refer the case to the S.C.A., so that the defendant's story might be investigated but the Police said they had come across many such tales of woe before. These beggars were always sent to Canton by one boat, and returned to Hongkong by another. It had become so impossible to deal with them that the Hon. C.S.P. had ordered them to be arrested and charged before being sent away. A fine of \$2 was imposed.

Several other beggars were dealt with by means of a similar fine.

A BAD CHARACTER.

Before Mr. N. L. Smith, this morning, a Chinese was charged with the theft of a quantity of clothing, the property of two women in whose house he occupied a cubicle. He denied that he stole the things and said that they were given him by the women to pawn. The first woman denied this whilst the other, who said that her husband was at sea, admitted that she gave some pieces of clothing to the defendant to pawn, but she never intended that he should use the money for his own purposes. She wanted the money to buy food until her husband's return.

As the defendant had a previous conviction, his Worship passed sentence of six weeks' hard labour on each count, the sentences to run consecutively.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Kobe on 4th Feb. left there 5th Feb. due at Nagasaki on 6th Feb.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Tsushima Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 3rd Feb. and is expected here on the 8th Feb.

The Admiral Line's s.s. *Iconium* (from Seattle) sailed from Shanghai on the morning of the 6th inst. and will arrive at Hongkong Sunday morning 8th Feb.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Kama Maru* (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 31st Jan. and is expected here on the 8th Feb.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Nagasaki on 6th Feb. a.m. left there 6th Feb. p.m. due at Tsingtau on 8th Feb. due at Shanghai 9th Feb.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Yokohama on 30th Jan. left there Jan. 31 and is due at Vancouver Feb. 9.

The P. & O. B.L. & A.L. s.s. *Takada* left Singapore for this port on the 2nd inst. and is due here on the 9th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. s.s. *Kashmir* left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst. at 10 a.m. and is due here on the 8th inst. at about 6 a.m.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Montcalm* arrived at Yokohama on Jan. 27 left there Jan. 28 and is due at Vancouver on Feb. 10.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Yokohama on 3rd February a.m. left there 3rd Feb. p.m. due at Kobe on 4th Feb. due at Hongkong Monday, Feb. 16.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Yokohama on 4th Feb. left there 4th Feb. due at Vancouver on 17th Feb.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Kama Maru* (European Line) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 18th Jan. and is expected here on the 18th Feb.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Wakana Maru* (European Line) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 28th Jan. and is expected here on the 11th March.

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WORLD'S SUPPLIES OF
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The important question of the future
 of the Empire, with special reference
 to wheat production, is dealt with at
 length in the current number of the
 Bulletin of the Imperial Institute.
 The annual production of wheat in
 the world prior to the war amounted
 to about 110,000,000 tons, the
 largest producers being the Russian
 Empire, with an output of 22,000,000
 tons and the United States, which pro-
 vided nearly 19,000,000 tons. Dur-
 ing the war the production in Europe
 as a whole, and in Russia in particu-
 lar, decreased considerably, but out-
 side Europe there was a great expan-
 sion. The acreage under wheat in
 Canada, the United States, Argentina,
 India and Australia in 1915 was over
 25 per cent. larger than the average
 acreage for the five years before the
 war and it is considered that, at the
 present time, there is a sufficiency of
 wheat, even without the help of Rus-
 sia, to meet the requirements of the
 world.

As regards the future also there is
 reason for optimism. There are vast
 areas of land suitable for wheat-grow-
 ing yet to be opened up in Canada,
 Australia, South America, Siberia and
 other countries, whilst the present low
 average yield of 13 bushels per acre
 is susceptible of great improvement.
 In recent years the increase in the
 world's production has been due, to a
 great extent, to an increased yield
 per acre, and there is every reason
 to believe that with the introduction
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